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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: U.S. Application No. 10/590,211  
Filed: August 22, 2006  
Title: Methods for Genetic Diversification in Gene Conversion  
Active Cells  
Applicant(s): Jean-Marie BUERSTEDDE *et al.*  
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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. An Amendment in Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 21027.002.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures